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LETTER DATED 7 SEPTEMBER 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF FRANCE, SPAIN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

We have the honour to bring to your attention the French and English text of the statement on Bosnia and Herzegovina adopted by the European Community and its member States on 3 September 1993.

We should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annexes circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed)

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Annex

[Original: English/French]

Statement on Bosnia and Herzegovina
(Brussels, 3 September 1993)

The Community and its member States have learnt with concern and regret of the interruption of the Geneva Negotiations on Bosnia and Herzegovina. In this context, they pay tribute to the efforts of the Co-Presidents. They remain convinced that only an agreement negotiated and accepted by the parties in accordance with the principles of the London Conference and the conclusions of the European Council in Copenhagen will make it possible to resolve the conflict. They reaffirm their readiness to participate actively in the implementation of such an agreement and the guarantees implied by it on the basis of a mandate sufficient to ensure its implementation.

The Community and its member States strongly urge the three parties to ensure that what has been achieved by the Conference is not lost and in particular that the confidence-building measures foreseen during the most recent meetings in Geneva can be applied without delay, and that, in the interests of the long-suffering population, there are no longer any obstacles to humanitarian convoys.

The Community and its member States urgently call on the parties to refrain from any action likely to lead to a resumption of hostilities. They recall the decision of the Atlantic Council of 9 August 1993 concerning actions which could be taken further to relevant resolutions of the United Nations Security Council. They invite the parties to resume negotiations without delay.